

## Mark schemes

**Q1.**

(a) A 1

(b) D 1

(c) liver 1

(d) glycogen 1

(e) 2.6 1  
*allow answers in the range 2.5 to 2.7*

7.6 (mmol/dm<sup>3</sup>) 1  
*allow a correctly calculated value using  
 student's value from graph + 5*

(f) 30 (minutes) 1  
*allow ½-hour or 0.5 hour*

(g) points too far apart 1  
**or**  
 no reading between 30 and 50 mins  
*allow no reading at 40 mins*  
**or**  
 points joined by straight lines  
**or**  
 values could have fallen to zero change before 50 mins  
*allow not a curve of best fit*

(h) higher values of y than given line 1  
 returning to(wards) zero change later than given line 1

**[10]****Q2.**

(a) response / reaction 1  
*ignore examples*  
*ignore action*

- automatic **or** no thinking **or** not conscious **or** involuntary  
*ignore reference to brain*  
*ignore quick* 1
- (b) receptor (in skin of finger / hand) detects stimulus / temperature change  
*allow receptor detects heat ignore pain* 1
- (electrical) impulses pass along neurones  
*allow electrical signals pass*  
*along nerve cells*  
*ignore messages* 1
- (impulses pass from) sensory to relay to motor neurones 1
- synapse between neurones where chemical crosses gap  
*allow neurotransmitter / acetylcholine*  
*for chemical*  
*allow by diffusion* 1
- (synapses) in spinal cord / CNS  
*ignore brain* 1
- muscle contraction (to pull hand away)  
**or** effector is a muscle 1
- (c) coordination by endocrine system is:  
*allow converse points if clearly*  
*indicating nervous co-ordination*  
*answers must be comparative*
- slower 1
- longer-lasting 1
- (chemical / hormone) via blood instead of electrical / impulse / neurones 1
- (d) FSH (release from pituitary) stimulates maturation of egg / ovum / follicle  
*ignore reference to days of menstrual cycle*  
*allow FSH stimulates development / growth of egg*

	1
oestrogen (release from ovary) inhibits FSH production <b>and</b> stimulates LH production	1
LH (release from pituitary) stimulates ovulation <i>allow LH stimulates release of egg</i>	1
progesterone (release from ovary) inhibits FSH <b>and</b> LH production <i>allow (release from corpus luteum)</i>	1
oestrogen <b>and</b> progesterone maintain the uterus lining <i>allow oestrogen <b>and</b> progesterone build up the uterus lining</i>	1
	<b>[16]</b>

**Q3.**

(a)		
	$\frac{1430}{2600} \times 100$	1
	55 (%)	1
(b)	(volume) increases <i>allow (volume) goes up</i>	1
(c)	drink (a lot / more)	1
(d)	filtration	1
	reabsorption	1
	excretion <i>this order only</i>	1
(e)	<b>Level 2:</b> Scientifically relevant facts, events or processes are identified and given in detail to form an accurate account.	3-4
	<b>Level 1:</b> Facts, events or processes are identified and simply stated but their relevance is not clear.	1-2
	<b>No relevant content</b>	

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**Indicative content****Advantages of kidney transplant**

- no need for regular / long hospital visits **or** is a long-term solution
- flexible lifestyle, such as can go on holidays
- may not live near a hospital **or** reference to transport costs
- no risk of infection from frequent needles / treatment
- less / no need to control diet
- maintains correct concentration of substances in blood / body
- cheaper long term for NHS / hospital

**Disadvantages of kidney transplant**

- may be rejected
- have to keep taking anti-rejection drugs **or** immunosuppressants
- (suitable) donor may not be available **or** need for tissue matching
- risk from surgery (e.g. anaesthesia or infection)
- recovery from surgery will take a long time
- does not last forever (therefore further surgery needed)

For Level 2, answers must refer to both advantages **and** disadvantages

[11]

**Q4.**

- (a) protein 1
- (b) urea is a waste (product)  
*allow toxic / poisonous **or** may damage cells **or** denatures proteins*  
*ignore harmful / dangerous* 1
- (c)  
*in this order*  
respiration 1  
breathing 1
- (d)  
*in this order*  
least  
medium  
most

3 correct = 2 marks  
1 or 2 correct = 1 mark

- 2
- (e) diffusion 1
- (f) protein 1
- (molecules too) large  
*this mark may only be awarded if mp1 is correct or not attempted*  
*allow pores in membrane are too small* 1
- (g) 3  
*allow three* 1
- (h) increases  
*ignore numbers* 1
- (i) any **two** from:  
*allow converse points for person A / dialysis*
- has a low(er) concentration of urea
  - constant urea concentration / level  
*allow substance (if named must be correct)*
  - less time attached to machine **or** fewer hospital visits
  - no / less restriction on travel
  - not piercing skin repeatedly
  - less chance of infection / blood clots
  - cheaper in the long term  
*ignore cheaper unqualified*
  - no restrictions on diet
- 2

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**Q5.**

- (a) pituitary 1
- (b) ADH 1
- (c)  
*allow ecf for name of hormone from part (b)*  
*ignore name of gland*  
high(er) concentration of blood **causes** (more) ADH / hormone

release

*allow low(er) water potential of blood  
causes (more) ADH / hormone release  
allow alternative descriptions in terms of  
– eg low(er) water concentration / level  
or high(er) osmotic pressure or high(er)  
solute concentration / level*

1

(and hormone / ADH causes) increased permeability of kidney tubules (to water)

*allow increased permeability of  
collecting duct / distal convoluted tubule*

1

(so) increased water reabsorption

*allow more water taken back into blood  
ignore reference to urine*

1

(d)

*allow converse if clearly describing  
dialysis  
explanation must match reason*

changes in concentrations / levels of substances / urea are minimised

*allow no change in concentration / level  
of substances / urea  
allow correctly named substances*

1

(so) less / no chance of causing damage to body cells / tissues

*allow eg less / no osmotic stress or not  
poisoned by urea*

1

not repeatedly puncturing skin or blood not in contact with machine

*allow blood does not leave the body*

1

(so) less / no chance of infection or less / no chance of blood clots or no need to take anti-clotting drugs

*allow less / no chance of  
microorganisms entering body  
allow only one operation so less chance  
of infection for 2 marks  
allow dialysis requires anti-clotting  
drugs and so may lose more blood if cut  
for 2 marks*

1

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**Q6.**

- (a)
- ignore incorrect organ secreting insulin / glucagon*
- (blood glucose increases after meal causing) insulin secretion  
*allow (blood glucose increases after meal causing) insulin increase* 1
- insulin causes glucose to enter cells / liver / muscles 1
- (insulin causes) glucose conversion to glycogen 1  
*allow glucose converted to glycogen in cells / liver / muscles for 2 marks*
- (so) blood glucose decreases causing glucagon secretion  
*allow increase in glucagon when blood glucose is low* 1
- glucagon causes glycogen to be converted to glucose 1
- (b) cells / liver / muscles absorb less glucose  
*allow cells / liver / muscles convert less glucose to glycogen*  
*do **not** accept no absorption / conversion of glucose* 1
- (so) glucose concentration in blood remains high  
*allow (so) glucose concentration in blood does not decrease* 1
- (high blood glucose stimulates / causes) pancreas to release more insulin  
*allow more insulin is released from pancreas to 'try' to reduce blood glucose* 1
- (c) any **three** from:
- age
  - height **and** mass  
*allow BMI*
  - proportion of males and females **or** group size  
*allow sex of the participants*
  - (same) severity of diabetes
  - (same) activity (during investigation)
  - (same) type of meal
  - dose of drug
  - (similar) blood glucose concentrations at start  
*allow how much / type of food / drink*





- no information about control variables **or** named e.g.
- concentration of drugs not given / may differ
- so results may not be valid

for level 3 an inclusion of a discussion of significance is required

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**Q7.**

(a) to allow implantation of the embryo

1

(b) oestrogen

1

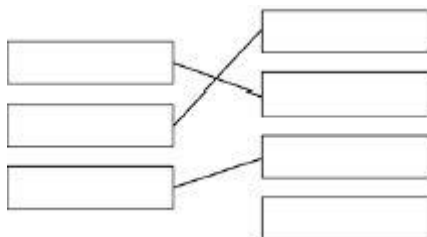
(c) 13 / 14 / 15 / 16

*allow any number in range 13 to 16*

*allow any range within these values e.g.  
14-16*

1

(d)



*extra line from a method cancels the mark*

1

1

1

(e) more reliable than diaphragm / spermicidal cream

*allow fewer pregnancies than  
diaphragm / spermicidal cream*

1

low chance of pregnancy

*allow only 1 more pregnancy than the  
pill (per 100 women per year)*

*allow almost as good as the pill*

*allow reference to one named example*

1

no side effects

*allow easy to get / buy*

*allow easy to use*

*allow prevent / reduce spread of STDs /  
gonorrhoea / HIV*

*ignore cost*

1

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**Q8.**

- (a) pancreas 1
- (b) liver 1
- glycogen 1
- in this order*
- (c) would be digested / broken down (by enzymes / protease / pepsin / acid or to amino acids) 1  
*allow denatured (by acid)*
- (d) use of 14.2 **and** 6.8 1
- 7.4 1  
*allow an answer of 7.2 or 7.3 (using 14.1 and / or 6.9) for 1 mark*  
*an answer of 7.4 scores 2 marks*
- (e) any **one** from: 1
- (person A's) results are higher  
*ignore A peaks at a higher level than B*
  - (A) increases for a longer time **or** peaks later
  - (A) takes longer to decrease **or** takes longer to return to normal  
*allow other correct comparisons*  
*allow a description using pairs of figures from graph at a given time*
- allow converse comparisons with person B as the subject*
- (f) a negative correlation 1
- (g) less carbohydrate / sugar / fat in diet  
*allow go on a diet*  
*allow eat less*  
*allow balanced / healthy diet*
- or**  
lose weight **or** maintain a healthy weight  
*ignore diet unqualified*

1

(more) exercise  
*allow examples of exercise*

1

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**Q9.**

(a) 2400 **and** 2280  
**or**  
500 **and** 380

1

120

1

*an answer of 120 scores 2 marks*

(b) respiration of glucose

1

(c) (more) sweating

*ignore reference to vasodilation /  
vasoconstriction*

1

(because) exercise releases heat

**or**

need to cool the body

**or**

need to lose heat

**or**

need to maintain body temperature

*do **not** accept energy being produced*

1

(d) more energy needed

*do **not** accept energy production*

*do **not** accept energy needed for*

*respiration*

1

(so) more (aerobic) respiration

1

(so) increased breathing (rate / depth) (to supply oxygen **or** remove carbon dioxide / water)

1

*'more' does not need to be stated a  
second time to gain marking point 1 and  
marking point 2*

[8]

**Q10.**

- |     |                                     |  |            |
|-----|-------------------------------------|--|------------|
| (a) | <b>A</b>                            |  | 1          |
| (b) | <b>E</b>                            |  | 1          |
| (c) | 28                                  |  |            |
|     |                                     | <i>allow 27–29</i>   | 1          |
| (d) | progesterone                        |  | 1          |
| (e) | any <b>two</b> from:                |  |            |
|     | • inhibits FSH production / release |  |            |
|     | • prevents egg maturation           | <i>allow prevents egg growth</i>   |            |
|     | • prevents ovulation                | <i>allow prevents egg release</i><br><i>ignore prevents egg production</i> | 2          |
| (f) | oestrogen                           |  | 1          |
|     | testosterone                        | <i>allow in this order only</i>  | 1          |
|     |                                     |  | <b>[8]</b> |

**Q11.**

- |     |   |   |   |
|-----|---|---|---|
| (a) | (molecules are) (too) large                                   |   | 1 |
|     | cannot pass through (filtration) membrane / (holes in) filter |   |   |
|     | allow 'is not filtered out of the blood'                      |   | 1 |
| (b) | glucose is reabsorbed   | <i>ignore 'is absorbed' unless qualified by 'into blood'</i>  | 1 |
|     | <u>all</u> of it  |   | 1 |
| (c) | (molecules / ions) small so pass through filter               |   |   |
|     | <b>or</b>   |   |   |
|     | not all is reabsorbed   | <i>allow the body needs to maintain the right balance of ions and urea in the blood</i><br><i>ignore 'are filtered' unqualified</i> | 1 |

more water reabsorbed on a hot day 1

due to more water lost in sweat  
*'more' needed at least once to gain both marks* 1

(d) **Level 3 (5-6 marks):**

A judgement, strongly linked and logically supported by a sufficient range of correct reasons, is given.

**Level 2 (3-4 marks):**

A judgement, supported by some relevant reasons is given.

**Level 1 (1-2 marks):**

Relevant points are made. If there is a judgement, this is asserted, but not logically linked to the points made.

No relevant content (0 marks)

**Indicative content**

**pro transplant:**

- (dialysis requires repeated treatments to prevent) build-up of toxins  
**or**  
to prevent raised blood pressure between sessions
- inconvenience of dialysis, e.g. long sessions of immobility **or**  
repeated hospital visits
- (dialysis requires restricted diet) to prevent build-up of urea / ions
- there is a greater risk of infection with dialysis e.g. repeated  
puncturing of skin **or** use of non-sterile equipment allows entry of  
microorganisms
- there is a risk of blood clots with dialysis
- dialysis more expensive in the long term / 2+ years  
**or**  
examples given e.g. 2 yrs dialysis = £60 000 compared with 2 yrs  
after transplant  
= (£51 000 + £5 000) = £56 000
- transplant is a long term treatment **or** may remain healthy for many  
years

**con transplant:**

- shortage of kidney donors leading to long waiting time
- requires death of another person **or** live donation leaving a person  
with just one kidney
- exploitation of poor people for donor kidneys (paying for organs)
- need to match tissue type
- rejection – role of wbcs / lymphocytes
- need immunosuppressant drugs – susceptibility to infection
- dangers of surgery – physical damage / infection / brain damage  
from anaesthetic
- high initial cost – limited funding (either personal or NHS / CCG)

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**Q12.**(a) any **three** from:

- a (chemical) messenger  
**or**  
an organic substance  
*allow correct named example – e.g. protein / modified amino acid / catecholamine / steroid*
- made by the endocrine system / an endocrine gland / endocrine organ  
*allow made by / released from a (ductless) gland*
- affects (a) specific / target organ(s) / tissue(s)
- released into the blood  
*allow carried by the blood*

3

(b) insulin **and** glucagon*both required for 1 mark correct spelling only for glucagon*

1

(c) **Level 2 (3-4 marks):**

Relevant points (reasons / causes) are identified, given in detail and logically linked to form a clear account.

**Level 1 (1-2 marks):**

Relevant points (reasons / causes) are identified, and there are attempts at logically linking. The resulting account is not fully clear.

No relevant content (0 marks)

**Indicative content**

- (0–0.5 h: ) glucose from meal enters blood  
**or**  
increase in blood glucose (to 6.5 mmol / dm<sup>3</sup>)
- glucose detected by pancreas
- pancreas secretes insulin
- (insulin causes) glucose to move (out of blood) into cells / liver
- liver converts glucose to glycogen
- causing a fall in blood glucose (after 0.5h)
- low blood glucose (< 5.0 mmol / dm<sup>3</sup>) detected by pancreas
- pancreas releases glucagon
- liver converts glycogen to glucose (which enters blood)
- blood glucose rises (after 1 h **or** to 5.2 mmol / dm<sup>3</sup> (at 1.5 h))

**[8]****Q13.**

(a) liver

1

- (b) insulin  
*do not accept glucagon* 1
- (c) kidney 1
- (d) to replace water / ions / salt 1  
(that is) lost in sweat 1
- [5]**

**Q14.**

- (a) **A** – pituitary 1
- B** – adrenal 1
- (b) ovary 1
- (c) diaphragm  
*allow phonetic spelling* 1
- (d) condom 1
- (e) **Level 2 (3–4 marks):**  
A detailed and coherent evaluation is provided which considers a range of advantages and disadvantages and comes to a conclusion consistent with the reasoning.

**Level 1 (1–2 marks):**

An attempt to describe the advantages and disadvantages is made, which may not come to a conclusion. The logic may be inconsistent at times.

**0 marks:**

No relevant content.

**Indicative content****advantages of the plastic IUD:**

- is effective for longer than the copper IUD
- does not need to be replaced as often as the copper IUD
- although the pain of periods are more severe, the pain with the copper IUD is likely to be worse
- can reduce the bleeding during a period
- most of the possible side effects are not serious, eg feeling sick,

acne and headaches.

**disadvantages of the plastic IUD:**

- needs to be implanted for a period of time before it is effective ie not emergency contraception
- can make the pain of period more severe
- can cause more side effects than the copper IUD
- can cause some more severe side effects such as cysts on the ovaries

an understanding that the side effects are only possible and may not necessarily occur

**additional examiner guidance:**

- pupils should add value to the points in the table and should not just be copies verbatim
- credit can also be given for other correct advantages and disadvantages from the candidates' own knowledge and understanding
- allow converse points if clearly made

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**Q15.**

- (a) if too high insulin released from pancreas

1

so glucose is moved into cells

*allow glucose is stored*

1

if too low, glucagon is released (from pancreas)

1

causes glycogen to be converted to glucose and released into the blood

1

- (b) type 1 not enough / no insulin produced

1

whereas type 2 cells do not respond to insulin

1

type 1 is treated with injections of insulin

1

whereas type 2 is treated with diet and exercise

**or**

loss of weight

**or**

drugs

1

- (c)  $(3.45 \times 10^6) + (5.49 \times 10^5) = 3.999 \times 10^6$

**or**

3 450 000 + 549 000 = 3 999 000



allow  $3.999 \times 10^6$  **or** 3 999 000 with no working shown for **1** mark

1

$$\frac{3.999 \times 10^6}{6.5 \times 10^7} \times 100$$

**or**

$$\frac{3\,999\,000}{65\,000\,000} \times 100$$

= 6.15

allow 6.15 with no working shown for **2** marks  
allow for **1** mark for a calculation using either:

$$\frac{3.45 \times 10^6}{6.5 \times 10^7}$$

**or**

$$\frac{3\,450\,000}{65\,000\,000}$$

**or**

$$\frac{5.49 \times 10^6}{6.5 \times 10^7}$$

**or**

$$\frac{549\,000}{65\,000\,000}$$

1

6.2

allow 6.2 with no working shown for **3** marks

1

allow ecf from second step correctly rounded for **1** mark

- (d) could be other reasons for glucose in urine

**or**

blood test gives current / immediate result, urine levels might be several hours old

**or**

not always glucose in urine

1

- (e) results not affected by glucose from food

**or**

8 hours is sufficient time for insulin to have acted on any glucose from food eaten

**or**

so that there is a low starting point to show the effect

1

- (f) (patient **A**)

no mark for identifying **A**

glucose level much higher (than **B**) 1

and remains high / does not fall 1

**[15]**

**Q16.**

- (a) Too much thyroxine is released into the blood 1
- which raises BMR 1
- causing increase in formation of glycogen / lipids / proteins  
**or**  
 increase in rate of respiration  
**or**  
 increase in breakdown of excess proteins 1
- (b) FSH causes eggs to mature and stimulate ovaries to produce oestrogen 1
- LH stimulates the egg to be released 1
- (c) (missing a dose causes a) dip / drop in progesterone levels 1
- (therefore) FSH is not inhibited anymore 1
- (therefore) LH is not inhibited anymore 1
- (and consequently) an egg is matured and released  
*allow (and consequently) an egg is available to be fertilised* 1
- [9]**

**Q17.**

- (a) (i) follicle stimulating hormone / FSH 1
- (ii) oestrogen 1
- (b) (i) any **one** from:
- to help them have a baby / get pregnant  
*ignore to make them fertile*
  - to stimulate egg production / release / maturation
  - own levels of FSH / LH / hormone (too) low  
*allow to increase hormone / FSH / LH levels*

*do not allow to increase oestrogen levels*

- |      |                         |            |
|------|-------------------------|------------|
|      |                         | 1          |
| (ii) | through the bloodstream | 1          |
| (c)  | oestrogen               | 1          |
|      | progesterone            | 1          |
|      |                         | <b>[6]</b> |

**Q18.**

- |     |   |            |
|-----|---|------------|
| (a) | ovary   | 1          |
| (b) | 46  | 1          |
| (c) | (i) does not fit the pattern<br><b>or</b><br>it is higher than the 3 <sup>rd</sup> value / it should be lower than the 3 <sup>rd</sup> value / it should be between the 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> values<br><i>do <b>not</b> allow use of incorrect figures</i> | 1          |
|     | (ii) As age increases % of women (having a baby) decreases  | 1          |
| (d) | (i) 33<br><br>$\frac{66}{2}$<br><i>allow 1 mark for <math>\frac{66}{2}</math><br/>if no answer / wrong answer</i>   | 2          |
|     | (ii) low success rate<br><br>more likely to have a baby with health problems / abnormalities / a faulty chromosome  | 1          |
|     |   | <b>[8]</b> |

**Q19.**

- |     |   |   |
|-----|---|---|
| (a) | (i) pancreas                                    | 1 |
|     | (ii) Insulin causes glucose to move into cells. | 1 |
| (b) | (i) <b>A</b>                                    | 1 |

- rapid rise **or** fastest 1
- (ii) 2 1
- (c) The pancreas could be rejected. 1
- [6]**

**Q20.**

- (a) immune system
- allow white blood cells / lymphocytes*  
*ignore phagocytes* 1
- produces antibodies 1
- (which) attack the antigens on the transplanted organ / pancreas  
*allow transplanted organs have foreign antigens at start of explanation **and** linked to attacking the organ* 1
- (b) (i) change / rise detected by the sensor 1
- information used to calculate how much insulin she is going to need  
(bring her blood glucose back to normal) 1
- (pump delivers) insulin into the blood 1
- (causing) glucose to move into cells  
*allow (liver) converts glucose to glycogen* 1  
*max 2 if no ref. to artificial pancreas*
- (ii) any **one** from:
- it is more accurate **or** less chance of human error
  - (glucose) level will remain more stable **or** no big rises and falls in blood sugar levels
  - you don't forget to test and / or inject insulin
  - if ill or in coma insulin is still injected
- ignore continuous and automatic unqualified* 1
- [8]**